

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
American Heart Association (AHA)
November 13, 2014

Minutes

Member Attendees: William Begg, M.D., David Cone, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., Kyle McClaine, M.D., James Parker, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown

Guests: Sandy Bogucki, Nancy Brunet, Kevin Burns, Douglas Gallo, Phil Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, Ian Medoro, Michael Zacchera

Chaired By: Richard Kamin, Kyle McClaine

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Meeting called to order at 10:02 am	The minutes of October 9, 2014 CEMSMAC meeting were reviewed.	Motion made to approve the minutes with incorporation of Dr. Begg's notations. Changes in last region 5 report below: Region 5 – Meeting held <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Fire rehab process in development and will be shared with CEMSMAC○ BLS 12 Lead continues○ Protocol for use of tetracaine written.○ Decision to not allow RAD 57 use at BLS

		<p>level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Narcan <p>Dr. Begg and Dr. Cone seconded the motion.</p>
<p>DPH/OEMS Report by Dr. Kamin</p>	<p>No formal report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The BLS 12 Lead was approved. The Education committee is working on the educational objectives and competencies ○ Rural Health supporting Triage Training. Scotland Fire to offer training at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital on the 22nd. Register at CT Train ○ Cardiocerebral resuscitation (CCR) - awaiting DPH approval ○ Fire Rehab - Will continue to meet with the Fire Chiefs, looking at the Health, Safety and Wellness of firefighters in CT ○ RAD 57 - is ongoing ○ Local EMS Planning – letters went out, any questions, please contact your Regional Coordinators or Municipalities. ○ Regional Coordinators – concern raised by Mrs. Coler that the OEMS is hiring additional staff for programmatic work but not demonstrably working to make the coordinator positions permanent. Funding for the regional EMS coordinators ends July 1, 2015. 	<p>Dr. Kamin relayed Mrs. Coler's concerns to Mr. Barishansky</p>

Mission Lifeline STEMI Statewide By Lisa Bemben	Presentation in October regarding the potential statewide expansion of the Mission Lifeline STEMI Initiative	Copy of presentation is to be distributed via email.
Statewide Guidelines By Dr. Kamin	Draft expected in next month or so	Work to continue
Review of Equipment List	<p>Draft letter to the Service Chief's is underway.</p> <p>Equipment list items for discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Triage Tags for 1st Responders - Requirement ○ Pediatric Car Seats/Restraint Devices – Further discussion/review ○ Thermometers – Not a requirement (thought to permit submissive language to allow the use if needed provided training is up to date) ○ PPE – Face shields and coveralls or gown with leggings 	<p>Draft language on changes to be distributed</p> <p>Expect vote in December</p>
CMED	Currently a lot of ongoing discussion.	Drs. McClaine and Kamin will draft a statement for review at December meeting.
Ebola Preparation and Education	No specific hospital has been designated to handle Ebola patients.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The focus is that presently all hospitals should be preparing and are expected to be able to initially manage any Ebola patient presenting to their facility. 	
Regional MAC Reports	<p>Region 1 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No meeting held. Next meeting, Jan. 2015 ○ Spinal restriction training done ○ SW Region symposium on Nov. 14th ○ Naloxone – ongoing discussion, price increase possible <p>Region 2 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No formal report ○ Training on spinal motion restriction has begun. To date, 40 people have been trained. ○ Backboards – not a lot of pushback <p>Region 3 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No meeting held <p>Region 4 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reviewing BLS guidelines – decided all 4 hospitals in the region will do the same. When possible, training will be centralized. ○ Intend to adopt statewide guidelines when available <p>Region 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region V MEC quarterly meeting last held 10/2/14 at Danbury Hospital. Region V seeks to practice as uniformly as possible, rather than endorsing multiple practice 	

	<p>patterns in different hospital regions. Next meeting in January 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region V protocol changes ○ Fire rehab protocol developed (See attached) ○ Tetracaine protocol developed (See attached) ○ BLS pilot 12 Lead EKG program continues. ○ Approved by CEMSMAC and other state EMS committees ○ Opportunity to expand program is sitting on commissioner's desk ○ Rad 57 discussion. Local EMS services may want to petition CEMSMAC directly ○ Narcan administration education and Spinal Motion Restriction Immobilization for BLS staff pending ○ Spinal Motion Restriction – Training and rollout underway. 	
Other Business/Ongoing Initiatives	<p>Spinal Motion Restriction</p> <p>Mobile Integrated Healthcare</p>	<p>Discussion regarding need to reach out to lifeguards, athletic trainers and ski patrol.</p> <p>Dr. Cone to look into ski patrol contact/component</p> <p>Mr. Zacchera to liaison with CT athletic trainers group</p> <p>Dr. Kamin to reach out to CT Red Cross to</p>

	<p>Tentative – Preconference Day is being planned.</p> <p>NHTSA – CEMSMAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Progress on Medical Direction ○ Data Collection & Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - currently pushing Regionalization, documenting data <p>No new business.</p>	<p>Anyone interested in MIH Ad Hoc subcommittee, contact Dr. Kamin</p> <p>Continued support for the improved functioning of regional medical advisory committees</p> <p>Concern raised by Dr. Bogucki regarding the status of the EMS data system in the state. It was discussed that better access to currently required data set should be considered a priority in order to make EMS systems evaluation more fruitful.</p> <p>Drs. McClaine and Kamin will draft a statement for review at December meeting.</p>
Adjourned	<p>The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2014 at the American Heart Association, Wallingford.</p>	<p>Agenda to follow</p>

**Respectfully submitted by,
Yolanda Williams**